

C¹ 17 -- A relatively tall embodiment of a lottery ticket dispenser with a small footprint is fitted onto the countertop of a check-out counter of a retail store. The dispenser includes a housing, the top of which is flat so as to provide a convenient place for customers to write checks with the tickets being displayed immediately below being highly visible to the customer.--

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

C² -- In accordance with the present invention, the foregoing objects are met by the provision of a ticket dispenser which has a housing including a hinged front cover forming the top and portions of the side walls of the housing, and another hinged rear cover forming the rear complementary portions of the side walls of the housing, so that the front cover can be lifted to give access to the ticket storage area, and the rear cover can be rotated away to give access to the dispensing portion of the housing. --

Please replace the first sentence of the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 6, with the following rewritten sentence:

C³ -- The unit 20 includes a pair of side walls 28 made of cast aluminum or other strong, secure material, with a curved portion 29 protruding out over the side-rail

C³ 24 of the check-out counter 22, or flush with the front of the counter depending on the installation. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 18, with the following rewritten paragraph:

C⁴ -- The dispensing unit 20 includes a housing with a front cover 34 (see FIG. 2) which is hinged to the housing at 46 so as to fold to the left and away from the interior of the dispenser housing to give access to the interior for replenishing tickets, service, etc. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

C⁵ -- The housing of the unit 20 also includes hinged rear cover 30 which has a pair of side panels each having a forward edge 43 and a sloping edge 45. The cover 30 is hinged to the housing at 40. --

Please replace the first paragraph beginning at page 7 with the following rewritten paragraph:

C⁶ --The side walls 28 have an angular reinforcing rib 32 along a portion of the rear edge of the front cover 34. The edges 45 and 43 of the rear cover 30 abut against the ribs 32 when the covers 30, 34 are closed. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

c7 --When the cover 34 is closed it is seated against a ledge 48 formed around the periphery of each of the side walls 28. --

Please replace the first sentence of the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 20, with the following rewritten sentence:

c8 --As it is shown in FIGS. 1 and 2, the top portion 34a of the front cover 34 of the housing is flat. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

c9 -- Preferably, the cover 30 can be locked in place. Preferably, an edge of the cover 30 overlies the edge of the cover 34 so as to lock the housing and prevent unauthorized access. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

c10 -- FIG. 3 is a front elevation view of the rear cover 30 showing its rear wall 31 with a thin slot extending across most of the width of the housing, through which tickets can be dispensed. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

c11 --Referring again to FIG. 1, four strips of tickets 47, 49, 51 and 53 are stored in the housing. A transparent portion 34b of the front cover 34 allows the

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C¹¹ customer to clearly see the tickets in the four channels of the dispenser mechanism, whether or not the top is used as a writing surface. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 20, with the following rewritten paragraph:

C¹² --To form the larger dispenser 116, an insert 176 forming another section of the housing is fastened between the left and right sections, with suitable fastening means, like those used to fasten the right and left sections together. --
